

Mayor's Gang Prevention Task Force  
Policy Team Minutes – August 22, 2014

Mayor Reed began the meeting at 7:45 AM with members of the Task Force and the public introducing themselves.

Mayor Reed called for a motion to accept the June 27 minutes. The policy team accepted the minutes unanimously.

**1. Subcommittee Updates**

a. Community Engagement

Pastor Danny Sanchez provided an update on the Faith Initiative. The Chaplaincy Project has been very active through the hospital intervention program Trauma to Triumph and Community Crisis Response protocol due to the recent homicides at Gramercy Place and Edenvue/Monterey Hwy and has been activated to assist families through this very difficult time and coordinate services with the Safe School Campus Initiative program. They are also working with Esther Mota and the City's Anti-Litter/Anti-Graffiti Department on discussing ways our faith based organizations can get involved by volunteering throughout their communities. The Faith Initiative is adding Gateway City church to the list of faith based shared facilities. Lastly, the Community Engagement Subcommittee will begin planning the 2015 Crime and Gang Prevention Summit.

b. Interagency Collaborative

The last Interagency Collaborative Meeting took place on May 21, 2014. At that meeting, staff provided an update on the Schoolwide Positive Behavioral Interventions and Supports Project (PBIS). Alternative School Sites were also discussed.

c. Technical Team

Israel Canjura reported for the Technical Team. During the last Tech Team subcommittee meeting, members discussed their on-going efforts to implement their services for the new school year on and off campus. The Safe School Campus Initiative teams are meeting and informing school officials on the recent gang related incidents and summer trends to prevent potential retaliation on or around school campuses. An update from the Tech Team Working Group on the Gang Shrines in San Jose will be provided later in the agenda.

d. School/ City Collaborative

Dr. John Porter provided the School/ City Collaborative Update. He stated that the Safe Summer Initiative helped provide opportunities for youth to stay safe and engaged during the summer months. He also shared that the eastside school districts were pursuing a bond measure that would increase access to technology in schools and amongst low income families and students.

**2. Climate Discussion**

Sgt. Paul Hamblin from the SJPd provided the Climate Report.

In June 2014, of the gang related violent crime types, 0 were homicides, 9 were aggravated assault, 0 were robbery, and 0 were rape. In July 2014, of the gang related violent crime types, 2 were homicides, 7 were aggravated assault, 1 were robbery, and 1 were rape. Of the reported violent gang related incidents that occurred in June and July, the majority of known offenders were 18-19 years old and the majority of known victims were 19 years old.

**3. National Forum Update**

Theron Pride from the US Department of Justice provide an update from the National Forum of Youth Violence Prevention. The Forum is a network of agencies and localities who share information, offer technical assistance, coordinate action and resources, and profile successes. Cities included in the National Forum include Boston, Chicago, Detroit, Memphis, Salinas, and San Jose. Each locality prepares and implements a comprehensive youth violence plan featuring multi-disciplinary

partnerships, balanced approaches, data-driven strategies. Federal agencies support plans with information, technical assistance, training, and coordination. The Forum is about using current funding better through collaboration and effective use of evidence and data. In FY 2012, the Forum expanded to Camden, Minneapolis, New Orleans, and Philadelphia. In FY 2014, the Forum will expand to five additional sites. The Forum is highlighted in the President's My Brother's Keeper Initiative and the Attorney General's Smart on Crime Initiative. In Spring 2015, the next Summit on Preventing Youth Violence will be held. In FY 2014, California was selected for the Defending Childhood State Policy Initiative.

4. **MGPTF Online Database Update**

Jess Morgan, Charlie Hall, and Kristina Peralta provided an update on the MGPTF Online Database. This project was started in February of 2014 and will be launched in Sept. 2014. The tool will allow Tech Team members, schools, and the public connect at risk youth and their families with the services necessary to prevent gang violence.